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In Re: Patent Term Extension
Application for
U.S. Patent No. 5,206,244

## NOTICE OF FINAL DETERMINATION

A determination has been made that U.S. Patent No. 5,206,244, claims of which cover the human drug product BARACLUDE® (entecavir), is eligible for patent term extension under 35 U.S.C. § 156. The period of extension has been determined to be 1,587 days.

A single request for reconsideration of this final determination as to the length of extension of the term of the patent may be made if filed within <u>one month</u> of the date of this notice. Extensions of time under 37 CFR § 1.136(a) are not applicable to this time period. In the absence of such request for reconsideration, the Director will issue a certificate of extension, under seal, for a period of 1,587 days.

The period of extension has been calculated using the Food and Drug Administration determination of the length of the regulatory review period published in the Federal Register of February 23, 2007 (72 Fed. Reg. 8181). Under 35 U.S.C. § 156(c):

Period of Extension = ½ (Testing Phase) + Approval Phase = ½ (2811 - 0) + 182 = 1,587 days (4.3 years)

Since the regulatory review period began January 19, 1997, after the patent issued (April 27, 1993), the entire regulatory review period has been considered in the above determination of the length of the extension period 35 U.S.C. § 156(c). No determination of a lack of due diligence under 35 U.S.C. § 156(c)(1) was made.

Neither the limitations of 35 U.S.C. § 156(g)(6) nor 35 U.S.C. § 156(c)(3) operate to reduce the period of extension determined above.

Upon issuance of the certificate of extension, the following information will be published in the Official Gazette:

U.S. Patent No.:

5,206,244

Granted:

April 27, 1993

Original Expiration Date<sup>1</sup>:

October 18, 2010

Applicant:

Robert Zahler and William A. Slusarchyk

Owner of Record:

Bristol-Myers Squibb Company

Title:

Hydroxymethyl (Methylenecyclopentyl) Purines and

**Pyrimidines** 

Product Trade Name:

BARACLUDE® (entecavir)

Term Extended:

1,587 days

Expiration Date of Extension:

February 21, 2015

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RE: BARACLUDE® (entecavir)

FDA Docket No.: 2006E-0356

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>Subject to the provisions of 35 U.S.C. § 41(b).